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Isaiah 32:20.

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Ye Christian Heralds! go, proclaim
Salvation through Immanuel's name;
To distant climes the tidings bear,
And plant the Rose of Sharon there.

He'll shield you with a wall of fire,
With flaming zeal your breast inspire,
Bid raging winds their fury cease,
And hush the tempest into peace.

And when our labors all are o'er,
Then we shall meet to part no more,—
Meet with the blood-bought throng, to fall
And crown our Jesus — Lord of all.

Bourne Hall Draper in
"The Supplementary Bible."

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BOTH SERVE THE LORD, IN SPITE OF WAR!

Nice, France, Nov. 30, 1941

My Dear Miss Mitchell:

It was so good to have word from you! It meant so much to me just to realize that you are daily with us in prayer. Also the money was of God's wonder working, for we have such great needs to meet, and you will readily understand that many things had to be paid for after five months of having had nothing.

It is all so very expensive to live here now; all foreigners are obliged to live in hotels, and so all not too highly priced hotels are really crowded out, rent has gone up so that I have to pay about eighteen dollars for my attic! The food problem is not to be spoken of, for before one has faced it as we do it could not be understood. And clothing is not to be had!

But He is just the same today, and so we are rejoicing in a closer walk and deeper experiences of His grace. Was sorry to know about the continued illness of Mr. Smith. No *Harvest Field* has reached us as yet this fall. It takes time, but it may still come. My friends have written about gifts; have such good faithful ones in Los Angeles among whom I lived and worked in the good old days.

We, too, are praying for a real forward movement when the world gets into peace again. Right now it is more or less restricted, yet we have new doors open and new inquiring Jews. The upper floor here is packed with intelligent Jews —doctors, professors and the like.

Grateful greetings to you all in bonds of fellowship.

TORDIS CHRISTOFFERSEN

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 8.

Dear Brother Smith:—

I have no special news of particular interest to you, except that we are now located here in St. Paul. We consider it the special leading of the Lord that we were brought to this vicinity just as there was need for some one to take over a work among the Czech people here. It is an old established work, but due to the deafness of the old pastor it seems to have dwindled down, so that now it is practically a mission work. Therefore we are again missionaries to the Czech people, the same as we were when in Czechoslovakia before this second world war started.

Had we gone to the Northwest directly from Chicago, we would have arrived here just about the time of the resignation of the old pastor. The year's interval has left things somewhat mixed, but I will not waste time going into details, but praise the Lord that even in the short time we are here there is evident improvment in every way. That does not mean, however, that the work will be self-supporting for some time at least. Yet we took it as from the Lord, and He is able to see us through until He may have another call for us.

Having had to move in and get settled, after this gypsy life, has kept us extremely busy, so that I did not get a chance to write to you until now. Trusting then that your health has improved, we wish you and yours the blessings of the season. In the Master's glad service,

Yours,

CHARLES LUKESH.

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ONE MORE WEEK TO COME

In Daniel 9:24, "the man Gabriel . . . being caused to fly swiftly," tells the prophet that "Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy Holy City, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy."

Gabriel then proceeds to identify and set in its proper place historically all but one week of the seventy, each "week" being as time later disclosed, seven years instead of days. Again quoting: "From the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto Messiah the Prince shall be seven weeks, and three score and two weeks,"—a total of sixty-nine weeks. Then we read:

"And after three score and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for Himself: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof shall be with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined."

Scholars approve and history proves the insertion of at least 1941 years of the Time of the Gentiles after the word "Himself" in the above verse of Scripture. Artaxerxes in his twentieth year gave permission for the rebuilding of the city of Jerusalem. Dr. Scofield explains that either this decree or else the divine decree "the commandment to restore" of Dan. 9:23 dates the beginning of the "seven weeks" or forty-nine years of Gabriel's seventy weeks. The 434 years (three score and two weeks) recokon from the end of the forty-nine years. We have then the placement of the seven weeks and the three score and two weeks (or a total of 483 years), ending with the cutting off of Messiah, all of which happened just as Gabriel told Daniel.

Where then is the last or seventieth week described in Dan. 9:27 as the time when "the prince that shall come" shall confirm the covenant with many for one week (again undoubtedly seven years): and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease? It is evident that some (at least) of the Jews return to Jerusalem under this "prince that shall come" and set up "the sacrifice and the oblation" which the prophet declares shall cease "in the midst of the week,"—three and a half years, of course.

Somewhere in this indefinite period of time in Dan. 9:26, the "Time of the Gentiles" comes in. It has already lasted 1941 years. This is history; this is fact. But according to unfulfilled prophecy one more week is still required to complete the seventy weeks "determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city to finish, . . . to make an end, . . . to make reconciliation, . . to bring in, . . . to seal up, . . . and to anoint the most holy."

Daniel has already, in the previous chapter, written of "the time of the end" and "in the last end of the indignation," and in his final chapter (12:4) it is the Lord Himself Whom Daniel quotes as saying, "the words are closed up and sealed till **the time of the end.**"

This "time of the end" will most certainly be just what it is named, but who can doubt that, with only sixty-nine of the seventy weeks of Gabriel's promise recorded in Daniel's prophecy standing as recorded history, the seventieth week of the promised seventy will arive in due time.

It was this same Gabriel who, six hundred years afterward, appeared unto the Virgin Mary (Luke 1:26-33) in the annunciation, with the promise:—

> "Fear not, Mary; for thou hast found favor with God. And behold, thou *shalt* conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and *shalt* call His name Jesus. He *shall* be great, and *shall* be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God *shall* give Him the throne of His father David: And He *shall* reign over the house of Jacob forever; and of His kingdom there *shall* be no end."

Dr. Gaebelein, in his book "The Harmony of the Prophetic Word," puts the seven "shalls" of this passage in italics, and comments that the first four relate to the suffering of the Lord, to His humiliation, and the last three to His glory and His kingdom. The writer assures us that just so surely as the first four shalls have been fulfilled, just so surely will the last three come to pass.

The present violent happenings among the nations of the world (and all of them) bear such close resemblance to other unfulfilled Bible prophesies that seem to be identified with the seventieth week of Daniel 9:24 that we may be desirous and perhaps even anxious to study this matter in the Word of God. It is a good time to begin a serious study of Daniel and the other prophets in the Old Testament and the promises of Christ and His apostles in the New Testament.

Again we say that those believers who are looking for the Lord's return may well give their attention to the study of the unfulfilled prophesies of the Word of God. "And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh."—Luke 21:28.

SIX MAGAZINES IN 1942

"The European Harvest Field" which you are reading is a **bi-monthly.** This has not been ordered because of a shortage of paper, because we are at war or because our Missionaries do not need continued support in their labors for the Lord. The work still continues, and we would even like to see it increase during the year 1942. Is that hope justified?

Well, tell me if you have ever seen a finer Missionary letter than the one which the French censors passed along to us November 30 from the pen of Miss Tordis Christoffersen? The idea of asking for more workers in the Lord's harvest fields in Europe at this present time: Yet it does look to me as though this is the meaning of the New Year message from this dear servant of the Lord. (see Page 11)

Do you know what I thought of when I read it? I had a vision of Miss Christoffersen's blessed group of orphans at our Radosc Orphanage, near Warsaw, Poland. Do you suppose she will be able to continue her present ministry, even in Nice and the beautiful isle of Corsica, when the call comes that many little children back in Radosc need her help to supply them with food, clothing and shelter and for the teaching of the love of Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour! I have repeated the picture of her group at Radosc to nurture your prayer spirit now.

There are other Missionaries, too. See how John Kovalchuk labors among the Russians in South America. Hundreds of them will go back to Russia after this war, if the Lord delays His return. They will take the Gospel with them, too, because John went to this field instead of

settling down hopelessly after being ordered out of his Russian and Jewish Mission Field in Poland.

But I started out to give you "official" notice that this magazine is now a bi-monthly. It is because the censors don't let the Missionary letters flow as freely, and because we can use the extra cost of the other six months during 1942 to insure the support of the dear children of God whom we are proud to know and proud to sustain as they spread the Word of God to the ends of the earth. And what if this is the time for the Second Advent of "this same Jesus"!

The subscription price of the **"European Harvest Field"** is now only fifty cents. We expect you to make it your immediate business to send us fifty cents in stamps or currency, and to pray and pray valiantly for the labors of this Missionary fraternity. What a privilege!

MISS CHRISTOFFERSEN AND GROUP AT RADOSC

Miss Tordis Christoffersen, our faithful worker among the Jewish children and their parents in Warsaw, is here shown with a fine group of her beloved friends. How they wept when she was forced to leave because the government declined to renew her visa. Miss Christoffersen is now laboring in her new field in France, but, as always, still among the Jews. Ask the Lord for renewed success in ministering to the Jewish children in France.

Repeated in this issue for the benefit of our Prayer Partners, that they may remember Miss Christoffersen in this present hour of the world's misery.

Are there others who need your prayers? Yes, there are others, some of whom could get along very fairly by themselves on what comes month after month for their support, but what can a child of God do who seeks to give out a testimony of the love of God to a starving one? I said last month that "to preach this Jesus now without effective relief from this man-made starvation would be out of harmony with the Gospel of Him who said to His disciples:—Give ye them to eat." The question of help so far as these well-nourished ones are concerned is in seeing how much we can place in their hands to pass on to the suffering, the ragged, the starving, the homeless.

The day for relief ministry is already here. It may not be long before we will be asked to return our workers into fields which the enemy closed two years ago. We must keep every active worker under the **American-European Fellowship** sustained in the present hour and look forward to enlargement of the force in the hour of Peace. Again we patiently await your prevailing prayer.

"LORD, TEACH US TO PRAY!"

Our problems as a Foreign Missionary Society may not be directly connected with the Second World War, but they are important enough to warrant asking for special prayer and consideration by the friends who have stood by us for many years. Our previous appeals in times of emergency have always brought the help required. Thus we feel justified in the exercise of our faith at this hour also.

One Missionary, forced out of Central Europe nearly two years ago, has since served thousands of Russian people in South America. A recent letter tells of rich blessings, conversion, baptisms, and "progress is seen in every part of our great field here." We have to reply to that encouraging missionary letter that the offerings in his behalf are below par and we do not have the fifty dollars monthly required for his support. Our first appeal to you, then, is that you pray in behalf of Rev. and Mrs. John Kovalchuk, in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Radosc Orphanage, near Warsaw, Poland, was ordered closed when the Polish Government refused to renew the visa of Miss Tordis Christoffersen. She has since served the Lord at Nice, in the south of France. See her dear letter in this number of the magazine and keep her name on your prayer list. Her needs are greater than we are able to supply with what comes to our hands at present, but our faith is strong that some day she will return and open the doors of that blessed home for the orphan children. It might be very easy for you to answer her present appeal to "be my partners in the new vision and burden God has given me." Be her prayer partners now. Her story is worth telling to your friends and asking them to pray for her also. You can do this easily by passing on your magazine. More magazines sent on request.

Miss M. Selody in the Orphanage at Neresnice, continues to minister to the children, and the adults, too, in spite of all the difficulties, and does much Missionary work in addition. Let it be on your heart to ask the Lord that her "difficulties" do not become "impossibilities," and that her hands be kept bountifully filled with the necessities of life for those who are actually starving. Her testimony is well worth nourishment by the Holy Spirit which your prayers can bring.

How many of you remember the faithful ministry of Jean Rhode in Poland, at the Orphanage and School and elsewhere, while her health lasted? She has a fine prayer band which faithfully remembers all our dear workers, but this ministry is hardly a source of income nor intended to be a "financially profitable industry." Pray for her, and send help, too, as the Lord makes it possible.

Just one more man for your Prayer List. I believe our brother Fred Stettler, in Switzerland, has a vision and an opportunity. He is in touch with many other Christian workers, and is able to pass on them the means to secure the necessities of life. Let us pray and also keep him supplied with funds. He is able to reach our missionaries in the axis territory,—Hungary, Austria and Bulgaria.

Praise the Lord!

NORMAN J. SMITH

A WARNING, A MESSAGE, A PRAYER REQUEST

Letter from One of Our Faithful Missionaries who Hopes For Better Things

Beware that thou forget not the Lord thy God, in not keeping His commandments and His judgments and His statutes, which I command thee this day.—Deut. 8:11.

Warning and exhortation to obedience in regard to God's dealings with the people of Israel during their journey from Egypt to the Promised Land of Canan. It is certain that the same command of the Word of God applies to His people in all ages. Every blessing of God comes upon the principle of sacrifice and obedience to His word. John 15:7 is a promise with condition. It cost God a tremendous price for our salvation. 1 John 4:9, 10. So is every lasting blessing of God. Even the victorious life will cost the price of self-denial, complete obedience to God and death to the world. Gal. 2:20, Rom. 12:1, 2.

Another blessed year has just closed, "and what a year it has been for this poor, distressed world." But we as children of God have much to thank and praise Him for. In His loving kindness and goodness He has kept us by His power and sustained us by His grace. Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ. Eph. 1:3.

We have made many mistakes and failures in our weakness, but His grace is sufficient and His strength is made perfect in weakess. II Cor. 12:9. Praise God, our sufficiency is in Him, and the blood of Jesus Christ, God's Son, cleanseth us from all sin. II Cor. 3:5; 1 John 1:7, 9, 2:1, 2.

On September 21, 1941, by His grace I preached the Gospel of Christ and gave my personal testimony in Jersey City, N. J., at the interdenominational Gospel meetings at Gordon Park, where I was invited by Dr. Christian W. Matthews. God has blessed His own precious word. After the meeting was over I met an old man who believed in God, but had no assurance of salvation. I had the privilege of pointing him to the Word of God, which alone assures every sinner of eternal salvation. John 5:24; Acts 2:38; 5:32; Rom. 8:16, i John 5:13. After seeing these Scripture verses, the old man gladly bowed his head and prayed to God, acknowledging his sin of unbelief. I trust that the blessed Holy Spirit gave him assurance of salvation by faith in Christ. After the prayer the old man told me the reason why he sought just then the assurance of salvation. He said that just recently his friend dropped dead without sickness or any warning. I trust this warning may have served to bring him to seek salvation. God works in mysterious ways his wonders to perform. Glory to his precious name forever.

During the year just passed, by His grace, I have had many opportunities to witness for Christ in different ways,—open-air preaching, hospital visitation, personal work and distribution of the Gospels, tracts and spiritual literature. On Christmas day I was invited to preach the Gospel to the Russian people in Grace Baptist Church, Passaic, N. J. Here, too, God was honored through the written word and glorified in His dear Son by the blessed Holy Sirit. (John 16:13, 14.) We all enjoyed the young people's Christmas program, in which the little children also took part, which contributed additional joy and blessings to us all. Priase the Lord.

We have now entered the blessed New Year of 1942. (Phil. 3:14,) The whole world is in conflict and bloody war. The prophecy of our dear Lord is literally being fulfilled, and His coming draweth nigh. "And ye shall hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that ye be not troubled, for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. For nation shall rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom, and there shall be famines and pestilences and earthquakes in divers places. All these are the beginning of sorrows. Watch ye, therefore, and pray always: for in such an hour as ye think not *the Son of Man cometh. Matt.* 24:6-8, 44; Luke 21:34-36.

We shall continue to be faithful in prayer and expecting great things from our Heavenly Father in this year of 1942. Much prayer has already gone up to God for revival. Most assuredly God will answer the prayers of His people and will send the most mighty Holy Ghost revival the world has ever seen. We see some evidences in Europe and China already.

A few years ago an outstanding Russian Christian leader, Rev. I. S. Prokhanoff, just before his death in Berlin, Germany, said these words to the visiting brethren from Poland: "Keep on praying, brethren. God will visit Russia with the mighty revival." Since Germany declared war on Russia the tide has turned. The doors into Russia's churches, which have been closed for the last twenty years, are now wide

open. There are thousands of Russian war prisoners in Germany who have there heard the glad tidings and received the Good News, weeping their way to the cross.

Two hundred and fifty to three hundred million Slavonic nationals in Europe and abroad have hitherto obeyed the tenets of either the Roman Catholic or the Greek Orthodox religions, which have undoubtedly kept the Slavonic race in gross darkness, ignorance and superstition for centuries. Dear fellow-intercessors, let us renew our courage and unitedly pray for a heaven-sent Holy Ghost revival on all these lands.

In all church history there was only one man among the Slavonic nations really anointed by the Holy Spirit for the special work of Reformation. He was John Hus, in the Sixteenth Century, and he was burned at the stake by the Roman Catholics. Pray that God again may raise up men like John Hus, spirit-filled and qualified to serve as evangelists, pastors and teachers of the Gospel among the great Slavonic nations of Europe.

It is now two years,—and eleven days, to be exact — since I returned from the Mission fields of Europe. My wife and child are still in Hungary. Some of my dear friends have asked me why they cannot come to America. This question it is not within my power to answer. However, for the first year of my arrival I thought all the time I would be going back soon to the field. But as times grew worse, with the help of Rev. Norman J. Smith, our General Secretary, and other friends of the Fellowship, I undertook to bring my dear ones over, if possible. However, by reason of the war and many other difficulties involved, the matter has grown more involved and seems now almost hopeless. But my trust is in the Lord and with Him all things are possible. Praise the Lord. It is now quite some time since I received any mail from my wife, but I fully believe they are safe and secure in His keeping.

Here is something for all of you to pray for. While I was in the United States army in World War No. 1, I went under an assumed name, and on this name in the United States army my citizen's papers were given me. Then, after the Lord by His great mercy and grace had saved me, just before I went to Europe as a Missionary I tried to correct this matter. The letter regarding the case was written to Washington, by Col. E. N. Sanctuary during President Hoover's administration, in 1930. In due time the answer came from Washington, advising me that if I could produce two witnesses who knew me by name of Philip Manetz, the passport will then be issued to me in my right name.

This was all done, according to the instructions from our Capital, and for almost nine years on the Mission field I had no trouble whatsoever. But now, since I want to bring my wife and child to the United States, the case seems to have become very complicated. This is then the additional request for your prayers. Pray that God may remove all the hindrances and move the hearts of the immigration authorities to grant the necessary visa entrance of my wife and child into this country, and reunite us again. In all things may His Name be glorified.

At present I am doing secular work in order to support my little family.

Philip Manetz, Wife and Daughter

Please pray for God's guidance concerning my future field of labor, which preferably will be Missionary or evangelistic. Please pray to that end. Matt. 18:19; Acts 1:8.

PHILIP MANETZ,

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Surely this is one of the problems greatly in need of our prayers. This Gospel preacher and willing Missionary, able to speak in many tongues, ought not in these times to spend his days in secular labor and away from the Mission field. Pray the dear little family may be reunited and that funds may soon be supplied to send Philip out to the Field again, perhaps to South America to work with his friend John Kovalchuk among the Russian settlers scattered over that continent. — Editor.

THE RUSSIANS IN ARGENTINA

Report of a Union Service in Berisso With Many Thanking the Lord.

Berisso, Argentina, Nov. 21, 1941

At the last Annual Conference of our Russian churches here in Argentina among other things it was decided to visit as much as possible the churches and groups not only in the Province of Buenos Aires, but also other provinces of the Republic of Argentina. The people attending these services are very much in need of our spiritual help and encouragement.

It was also decided to hold an edifying union meeting or conference every three months in different places on our field. Any church especially wishing to have this service held with them is to send its appeal to our center. When the date is set for such a meeting, we usually have it announced in all the churches and also in the Russian newspaper published here, and perhaps we ourselves print announcements on the mimeograph or hectograph and distribute them among our Slavonic people.

For these meetings, beside our own speakers, we usually invite some one as guest preacher, or a Missionary or some other religious worker from the United States, England, Argentina or some other country. The guest speaker is, of course, expected to deliver the main address of the occasion. Our Russian choirs sing selected Gospel hymns, play on their different instruments and have special music and singing, solos, quartets, etc. These services are usually very edifying and blessed.

Our last meeting of this nature was held in Berisso, October 19, 1941. A large hall belonging to the Ukrainian Society, by the name of Porsvita, was rented in the center of the city. Many of our people and visitors from different places came to this service.

The meeting was opened at 3 o'clock in the afternoon with singing by the whole congregation of the well-known Ukrainian Gospel hymn, "Heavenly Father, God Almighty, the Comforter of our souls, Come, abide and bless us." Then the Twenty-seventh Psalm was read by one of our Russian brethren, and fervent prayers were delivered asking for God's blessing on the service and His full leadership. The Choir of the Buenos Aires Church sang a Russian Gospel hymn very inspiringly.

A young Russian brother, Anthony Tolopilo, a member of the Russian Church in Berisso and now a student in the Buenos Aires Baptist Seminary, spoke for several minutes. He read the last four verses of Mark 12, where the story is told of the poor widow and her two mites. He wished everybody to pay special attention to the fact that Jesus sat over against the treasury and *beheld* how the poeple cast in money into the treasury. As he saw the poor widow giving so little, He said to His disciples that she gave more than all because they gave of their abundance while she had cast in of her want, all that she had, even all her living.

He said that the Church at Berisso perhaps did not do exactly as the poor widow had done, but nevertheless she reminds us of the widow's act. Being poor and in need herself, she does all she can in covering their expenses by renting the hall for the meeting; pays other expenses and shows her hospitality and Christian love. Beside this she helps as much as possible toward the expenses of Brother Tolopilo in the seminary, giving him the opportunity to prepare himself for work for the Lord. This brother expressed his most hearty thanks to his church and asked the members to continue praying for him, that the Lord would aid him to prepare for his work in this country, where the field is so large and the need of workers is so appalling among the Slavic population of South America and also among other people of this country.

We next heard a little girl of four or five years, daughter of Brother Polanovsky, recite a fine spiritual poem. After this she sang the solo, 'I hear the call of Jesus, Take thy cross and follow Me," accompanied by her father on his violin. Her childish voice, tender but loud and clear, filled the whole house, and the audience listened with much attention and interest. The words were clearly pronounced in Russian, though the child was born here in Argentina.

When the little child had finished, her father in a few words expressed his most sincere thanks to God for His great mercy in him in answering their prayer so miraculously some time ago, when his girl was so hopelessly sick and the physician declared there was no hope of saving her. Even their friends advised the parents to let the child alone and let her pass quietly to her Lord. In spite of this, Mrs. Polonovsky continued to pray, asking the Lord to restore their child and promising to devote her life to the Lord. Their prayer was heard

and the Lord wonderfully cured the little girl, so that now there she was in our midst. Amen! Let her glorify our Lord.

After this fine testimony, the main message was delivered by our guest speaker, Brother W. Cooper, Director of the Baptist Theological Seminary in Buenos Aires. He spoke in English, and I was enabled to interpret his message in the Russian language. Brother Cooper came here from the United States three years ago. He is a very devoted servant of the Lord. He expressed his joy in having such an opportunity to have fellowship with the Russian believers and to give his testimony to his Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

At first he assured the Berisso Church that their young brother, A. Tolopilo, a student at his Seminary, is a very diligent pupil and of good behaviour in his life wherever he is, and that the Lord is already using him and blessing him in his work when he visits Argentina's churches and groups on Sundays and other days when the Seminary sends this brother out for practical work. Brother Cooper assured the congregation that they would always be glad to accept such students at the Seminary in preparation for the Lord's work.

Then Brother Cooper asked his interpreter to read in Russian a few verses from the 19th chapter of Luke's Gospel, where the meeting of the Lord with Zaccheus is related. The speaker painted three wonderful pictures in his address:

1. Jesus was seeking a sinner, Zaccheus. "The Son of Man is come to seek and to save that which was lost." The Lord had found us and He is still looking for every one who is astray from Him.

2. Zaccheus Seeking Jesus. A life without the Lord is an unhappy one, no matter what the man possesses in a material way. There is no rest whatever without Jesus. The Lord only gives full satisfaction. He calls and accepts every one who comes to Him.

3. Jesus and Zaccheus met each other, and the life with the Lord was complete and perfect. "And when Jesus came to the place He looked up and saw him, and said unto him, 'Zaccheus, make haste and come down, for today I must abide at thy house.' And he made haste and came down, and received Him joyfully. And Jesus said unto him, 'This day is salvation come to this house." A happy life with Jesus as Saviour and Lord follows for every one who accepts Him.

This was a very edifying and instructive message, for which we were all very thankful. Again the Choir of the Buenos Aires Church sang so harmoniously and sweetly! Then Brother Polansky, Carpatho-Russian from the town of Veronica, gave a most sincere greeting from the Russian church in that place. He ended his greeting with a message from the Word of God and gave a few words of good instruction and encouragement in the Lord.

The Berisso Church Choir sang a very touching hymn, calling on every child of God to be faithful to his Lord and useful in his Master's vineyard. In conclusion the writer gave a few words of greeting and encouragement, and a quartet sang a wonderful song. The services closed with fervent prayers of thanksgiving to God and singing by the whole congregation. All went home rejoicing and thanking God for His blessing. Praise God!

JOHN KOVALCHUK.

(We are publishing this report of the quarterly meeting just as we received it from Buenos Aires, to make it clear to our friends and supporters of the work that the Russian Christians in South America are very much in earnest and devoted to the services of our Lord. Your prayers and contributions will be greatly appreciated and will surely bring the Lord's blessing.—Editor).

January 16, 1942

Dear Prayer Partners:

As this magazine goes to press, we rejoice in the fact that right now we are reaching direct and regularly every Missionary and worker with funds for their support and for relief work, — except those in Hungary, Austria and Bulgaria. In these three countries we have no difficulty either, for our faithful friend, Fred Stettler, in Switzerland, is in direct contact with them, and able to send support to every Missionary. It is the Lord's doing and wonderful to our eyes. — Matt. 21:42.

BEAUTIFUL ISLE OF CORSICA

A Servant of the Lord Takes a Needed Rest, but Continues to Labor

ACTS 13:6. "THROUGH THE WHOLE ISLAND."

About six hours' journey from Nice out into the blue Mediterranean lies Corsica, one of the earth's most beautiful islands, so rich in natural resources. All kinds of cereals, fruits and vegetables, oils and honey are found in abundance, so that it has sufficient resources to care for its own inhabitants and profit from many a tourist going there to eat and to enjoy the wonders of its beauty.

So majestically wonderful are its mountains, of so many different hues and colors, from dark blue and light green to some of real granite, as in the case of La Grande Calanque, which when seen as the sunset glory casts its golden splendor upon it is indeed one of the wonders of God's creation! There are Alpine heights with everlasting snow, highlands, and plains which often have more than semi-tropical heat. The cities are characteristic. One, Carte, so impressed me, being built on a rock formation, with its citadel on top, and winding around it the village in Italian style, with arcades and stairways hewn in the rock. One sharp cliffside was completely covered with cacti. A small river comes through a narrow gorge and passes at the foot of the village.

This Eldorado was the birthplace of Napoleon the Great, and you will find his imprint everywhere. There is the house, the room, the bed in which he was born, the cellar in which he hid himself, the imperial chapel where the remains of his parents are interred; monuments everywhere, but a unique one, at the end of the main street bearing his name, is placed on a rock, representing the whole island in the art and rare trees and shrubbery brought from all parts, surrounding it and thus bearing homage to their greatest man day after day.

Unforgetable is the talk I had with the intelligent guide. We spoke of past and present history, of conquerors, of Him who won the battle by giving His life!

There has been a steady going over to Corsica all this past summer, for the sake of having better things to eat, to have rest and to enjoy this great out of doors—and the historical side had its lesson.

Late in September I felt very weary; began to lose my hair and teeth, and felt that there was not sufficient strength to meet the growing work. And so I asked the Government for a two-weeks permission to go over there. It was immediately granted, and one evening I stepped on board fourth-class—which is among the cattle, the freight and the poor. At midnight we all gathered in a large room at the bottom of the ship. I began to give out a few tracts, which were eagerly read and passed around. Soon the whole crowd became interested and asked me to explain the Bible to them.

It turned out to be a real Gospel meeting! How happy, how grateful I was, and several asked me to come to their villages to explain the Word of God more fully. It was with the rising sun beaming upon us that we slowly sailed into the beautiful bay of Ajaccico, and from the very moment of landing to the day of my parting I was given such opportunities for Jesus Christ as angels and men might well envy—for what is life, my dear praying friends, but living for Christ and for eternity?

There are highways and byways, automobile routes which in times past were daily accommodating the many tourists, but today there is only now and then a passing auto, and often it means making the way on foot. One day I walked thirteen kilometers, — what a glorious day it was! The might and everlasting strength of the hills bore witness with the love of God in my heart to the reality of Jesus Christ!

Early in the morning I met a crowd of children who were gathering chesnuts. We stopped and talked to each other. Village children, who rarely see strangers, are always curious. I asked them to sing a song, and instantly they sounded forth the national anthem of France. Then I told them about all the children I used to hear sing in Poland, about their sorrows and silence now, about the Word of God they learned then and which we were praying and trusting the Lord to comfort them with today, and finally they learned the greatest verse of the Bible.

Further down I met some shepherds, in native costumes, sometimes walking and sometimes riding on esels. They were watching their flocks, sheep and goats, walking in green pastures. The soil is very fruitful over there. We got into real talks about pastures and sheep —about the great Shepherd of the sheep.

And so I went on, making new friends

right along, drinking from the brooks and eating the bread which a dear woman gave me without tickets, a real sacrifice on her part; God bless her heart! Reached the village just at night, and sat down in the warm kitchen with a plate of hot soup. We had a glass with oil and a wick for a light, truly typical of the whole spiritual condition. I asked if they had a Bible.

"A Bible? What is that?" Almost breathlessly, with tears in their eyes, they listened for three hours as I told them the story of His love, of Redemption through the blood. They came to know the meaning of Easter,—of grace now and glory hereafter,—and the following morning they said they could have listened all night.

Met tourists; many have taken residence there for the winter,—young men and women,—and I know of one couple for sure that God convicted of sin. And so the story goes on! Make it endless, eternal by your prayers.

By my partners in the new vision and burden that God has given to me. I have never sown in more ready soil; never felt deeper church darkness. Will you pray that the Lord will send sufficient money to Brother Stettler, so that he can prepare and print suitable literature? And ask the Lord for me that, if nothing better,—thinking of young men,—can be found, that I may be enabled to go again in the spring time!

Hard times should be, often is, preparation for better things in the Lord's service, by making His instruments more fitted, by letting us come to an end of everything, of ourselves, in order to prove what He is and can do. And also by calling new ones to go forth into the fields made ready by sufferings and sorrows.

Oh! that by praise and prayer He would raise up, give a definite call, to young men and women, to be with Him for final preparation, and then go as soon as the doors open. *We are thus asking Him for men to come over and help us.*

With all the Christmas love uniting us to Him and to one another, I am,
Your fellow servant by grace,

TORDIS CHRISTOFFERSEN.

SOUTH AMERICAN MISSIONARY JOURNEY

Thirst for the Gospel Truth is Great and Conversions Were Many

South America, October 27, 1941
(received December 2)

Dear Brother Smith:

A letter of September 15 containing allowance for two months was received from Miss Mitchell. Thank you very much. It came just in time.

I came back from my Missionary trip to the far-off province of Mendoza. I spent two weeks there holding revival meetings and visiting people in their homes. There is a large Russian colony there and the opportunity for evangelization is wonderful. The thirst for the Gospel truth is great.

Every home we visited was opened for us widely. They listened with great interest when the Word of God was read to them. Their hearts were opened and not only the old folks prayed with us, but often the young and the children prayed, giving themselves to God. Every meeting was so crowded that there was not enough room in the house and people stood outside trying to hear. It reminded me of Poland or Carpathian Russia where we had such crowded meetings and the thirst to hear the Word of God was so great.

I visited this place last year and spent about three weeks holding services and visiting homes. I was very glad this time to see the result of my first visit last year. Some of these souls who were unbelievers then now rejoice in the Lord and are devoted Christians. Some of them met me at the station and greeted me very kindly and told me how they gave themselves to Christ after we visited them at their home and talked together, praying and reading the Word of God.

The Lord blessed our busy days and the two weeks passed all too quickly, but work was waiting to be done at home so we left with some regret, but with joy over our success. At our last service I invited those who would like to give themselves to God that night. One after another, young and old rose from their seats crying, "I give myself to God tonight." I thank the Lord for these precious young souls. May the Lord bless and use them for His Glory. Please pray for all these people. Your prayers in our behalf are always greatly appreciated. Sincerely yours,

JOHN KOVALCHUK

REQUESTING MORE MISSIONARIES

American Workers Will Be Needed When the Boats Run Again

Tel Aviv, Palestine, Nov. 12.

Dear Mr. Smith—

Thank you for my allowance, which came through Barclay's Bank this week. I also found a letter there from New York serving as a tracer for the cable remittance of April 15th last. I have always written to you when the money has come.

I trust you are well now. "*The European Harvest* Field" for May and June came on the same mail. It is encouraging to read of all our new Prayer Partners. The Lord knows what we need most and He is faithful. Jean Rhode is having some of her prayers answered, for I am staying here in Palestine. I am grateful, for this is my third year here. It began on November 2nd.

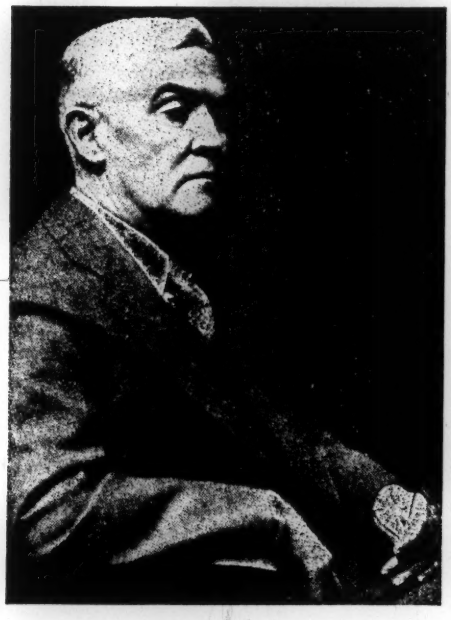
We are grateful for this pleasant time for witnessing for our Lord and Saviour. Tracts and Bibles are being accepted and read. There seems to be much interest in the Word here in these days. It is most difficult to get Bibles and tracts, as they are not coming through from abroad.

Those broadcasting stations are a marvelous addition to the work. The Christians throughout the land will be glad for first-hand news from the Mission fields. That is a good gift from the Lord. (This comment refers to the period of broadcasting Missionary News over WMBI, in Chicago, last year.)

Clinic days are busy days now. On Saturdays a new school is being opened in our rooms under the clinic for the children. There is a lively interest shown in this enterprise. Then Mr. Ostrovsky has begun a new preaching service for the patients who come in on Saturday.

After our boats begin coming here again, it will be well to have some more American workers. There is plenty for them to do right now, and we must pray for the opportunity for them to begin. The fields are white unto the harvest and the laborers are few. Sincerely in Him. JANE T. HALEY.

A Good Friend Gone On



I shall be satisfied, when I awake, with Thy likeness.—Psalm 17:15.

WILSON FENTON

January 31st, 1867 November 14, 1941

The American-European Fellowship has received word of the passing of Mr. Wilson Fenton, until recently its Canadian Treasurer, at Toronto, Ontario, in his 75th year. We regret to lose this valued friend and servant of the Missionary cause. The formal notice we received follows:

THE RESURRECTION MORN

By S. Baring Gould

On the Resurrection morning
Soul and body meet again;
No more sorrow, no more weeping,
No more pain.

Here awhile they must be parted,
And the flesh its Sabbath keep;
Waiting in a holy stillness,
Wrapped in sleep.

For a space the tired body
Waits in peace the morning's dawn,
When there breaks the last and brightest
Easter morn.

On that happy Easter morning
All the dead their graves restore—
Father, sister, child and mother,
Meet once more.

Soul and body, reunited,
Thenceforth nothing shall divide;
Waking up in Christ's own likeness
Satisfied.

GERMANY REVIVES WAR ON RELIGIONS

(An Editorial From *The Boston Herald*)

Restrictions on Christian institutions, both Catholic and Protestant, were somewhat relaxed in Germany when the war began, in order to mobilize the sentiments of the whole people in support of the military adventure. A few months ago, however, with nearly all Europe occupied and with confidence in the outcome of the assault on Russia, Hitler renewed the persecutions. Today, all religious activities are again under attack.

The shortage of paper serves as a pretext for the suspension of several thousand religious periodicals, constituting more than nine-tenths of the total. But only a fifth of the secular publications are suppressed. All of the old methods have been revived, including the confiscation of property, the ban on church collections, the closing of monasteries, the suppression of religious orders, and the prohibition of ordinary religious activities.

Recently the outlines of a "new religious order" for Nazidom have appeared in two forms. A widely circulated book by an anonymous author, with the title "God and Nation," demands for Germans "the honor of being the first to break with Christianity" and the substitution of a German faith.

The content of that faith is outlined in the program put out by Alfred Rosenberg. *Mein Kampf* must replace the Bible. National Reich orators serving as state officials must supersede the clergy. All church property must revert to the state. The cross must be removed from all religious structures. The crucifix must come down from all altars. An all-inclusive organization, the Nationale Reichkirche, must replace all Christian faiths. The German race must be sanctified as the chosen people of a tribal god whose prophet is Adolf Hitler.

In various insidious ways similar campaigns are under way in many of the occupied lands. The fundamental scheme is the attack on youth through the elimination of old-time religious ceremonies and instructions.

But protests also are beginning again, notably by Roman Catholic leaders. The Bishop of Muster lately has flamingly denounced Nazi methods. Affirming his fidelity to the fatherland, he reviewed what is going on, and the utter indifference of Nazidom to such moral foundations as the Ten Commandments and went on to say:

"If in this way legal security is destroyed, the consciousness of justice is undermined and confidence in the leadership of the state wiped out without interference from the officers responsible for the safeguarding of law and order, I feel myself obliged, as a bishop responsible for 2,000,000 German Catholics, regardless of the consequences to me personally, to raise my voice loudly, accusing the inner enemy which is ruining the people of the fatherland. I feel I must call the officers of the Government back from the path which, according to the experience of history, must lead the German people to destruction, despite the heroism of our soldiers and their renowned victories, because of moral decay."

As that is the kind of discourse which Germany does not tolerate now "the consequences to me personally" may mean the concentration camp or worse. It is to the eternal glory of the men of God in Germany, regardless of their particular form of belief, that savage persecution and the practical certainty of death do not deter them from crying out against the attempt to crush Christianity.

But perhaps the New Year message from Adolph Hitler on Jan. 1, 1942, shows a change of heart. In it are these significant words: "The year 1942 should—and we pray to God that it may—bring the decision which will save our people." His previous New Year pronouncement said: "Soldiers, the year 1941 will bring the consummation of the greatest victory in our history." First the Fuehrer announces victory; a year later he prays God to save his people. Where is his godless "Nationale Reichskirche" now?

Dr. Scofield's comment on the Book of Joel: "It is remarkable that Joel, coming at the very beginning of written prophesy (B.C. 836) gives the fullest view of the consummation of all written prophesy.

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